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Sir:

In response to the Outstanding Official Action of September 14, 2007, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on December 14, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the outstanding objections and rejections, in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 3 of this paper:

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper: